

Substance Abuse and Mental Health

Substance Abuse Treatment Needs

The 2005 Substance Abuse State Treatment Needs Survey is a telephone-based survey of 5,355 adults in Utah. This survey asked questions about substance use and abuse, as well as diagnostic questions that determined the level of treatment need in the State, based on DSM-IV criteria.

Treatment Needs by LSAA

	Alcohol and/or Drug	Alcohol	Drug			
Bear River	4.8%	3.0%	2.0%			
Weber	8.7%	7.2%	2.9%			
Salt Lake Co.	5.4%	4.7%	1.1%			
Davis	2.1%	2.0%	1.1%			
Tooele	9.5%	9.5%	8.3%			
Wasatch	2.6%	2.0%	0.5%			
Utah Co.	3.2%	2.3%	1.2%			
Summit	12.9%	12.3%	1.3%			
Central	3.7%	3.1%	3.7%			
Southwest	3.4%	2.9%	0.5%			
Northeastern	2.7%	2.7%	*			
Four Corners	6.6%	6.0%	1.1%			
San Juan	3.9%	3.6%	0.3%			
State Totals	4.7%	3.9%	1.4%			

^{*} None in sample

Treatment Needs Vs. Treatment Capacity

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	Population 18 and older	% In Need of Treatment 2005	Number in Need of Treatment 2005	Number served by Public System in FY 2005	Percent of Adults in Need Served by Public System FY 2005		
Bear River	104,895	4.8%	5,035	1,407	27.9%		
Weber	156,937	8.7%	13,654	1,779	13.0%		
Salt Lake	703,619	5.4%	37,995	6,955	18.3%		
Davis	189,743	2.1%	3,985	871	21.9%		
Tooele	35,632	9.5%	3,385	65	1.9%		
Wasatch	13,872	2.6%	361	254	70.4%		
Utah County	308,893	3.2%	9,885	1,509	15.3%		
Summit	26,628	12.9%	3,435	290	8.4%		
Central	49,640	3.7%	1,837	357	19.4%		
Southwest	136,034	3.4%	4,625	458	9.9%		
Northeastern	29,487	2.7%	796	333	41.8%		
Four Corners	28,580	6.6%	1,886	501	26.6%		
San Juan	10,188	3.9%	397	74	18.6%		
State Totals	1,794,148	4.7%	84,325*	14,853	17.6%		

^{*}because of rounding in the percentages, LSAA totals do not exactly add to the State total.

Fiscal Year 2005 Quick Facts:

- Statewide, 4.7% of adults are in need of Substance Abuse Treatment. This represents approximately 84,325 adults statewide.
- More adults are in need of treatment for alcohol, than for other drugs.
- Four times as many men are in need of alcohol treatment than drug treatment.
- Twice as many women are in need of alcohol treatment than drug treatment.
- The need for drug treatment in Tooele, Central and Weber is significantly above the state average.
- The highest percentage of overall need is in Summit,
 Tooele, and Weber counties.
- The lowest percentage of overall need is in Davis county, Northeastern, and Wasatch county.
- The public system served 14,853 adults in FY2005, 69,000 fewer adults than were in need of treatment.